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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of inventor:

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For: NITRIC OXIDE-RELEASING METALLIC MEDICAL DEVICES

Type of Application This new application is for a(n) Original (non provisional) Design Plant Divisional Continuation 2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 USC 119(e), 120, or 121) The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application serial number 09/567579 filed May 10, 2000. 3. **Papers Enclosed** Required for filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(Regular) or 37 CFR § 1.153 (Design Application) 22 pages of specification pages of claims 3 3 sheets of drawings (do not submit original drawings) (completed the following, if applicable) The enclosed drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a "PETITION TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S)." 37 CFR 1.84(b). B. Other Papers Enclosed Pages of declaration and oath (informal) Pages of abstract

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